## Town of Edmonston Town Council Regular Session Minutes

Wednesday November 8, 2017 7:00 P.M.

## 1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Gant @ 7:15 pm. In attendance: Council Members: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee, Suellen Ferguson, Town Attorney, Police Captain Billy Sullivan, Administrator, Rod Barnes and Town Clerk, Shantay Dabney. Absent: Suellen Ferguson, Town Attorney

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Gant. Moment of silence

2. Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was approved as presented.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Layne Bee and Bennett-White

Nays: None Motion carried.

- 3. Public Comments: no public comment
- 4. Special Presentations:
  - a. Mayor Gant swore in new Police Officer Cappriccieo Spriggs
  - b. Recognition of the Halloween Yard Decorating Contest Winners:
    - i. 5118 Crittenden Street(1st Place)
    - ii. 4912 49th Avenue (2nd Place)
    - iii. 4808 Gallatin Street (3rd Place)
    - iv. 5204 Emerson Street (Honorable Mention)
- 5. Old Business: There was no old business
- 6. New Business:
  - a. The consideration of the Town Council minutes from the work session meeting held on October 3, 2017 was presented. Council Member Tuberville moved, second by Council Member Johnson to consider the Town Council work session minutes from October 3, 2017.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried.

b. The consideration of the Town Council minutes from the regular Council meeting on October 11, 2017. Councilmember Turberville moved, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to consider the Town Council minutes on October 11, 2017.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried.

c. The consideration of the Town Council minutes from the Closed Session meeting on October 11, 2017 was presented. Council Member Turberville moved, seconded by Council Member Johnson to approve the Closed Session minutes on October 11, 2017.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried.

d. The consideration of the Town Council minutes from the work session meeting held on October 21, 2017. Councilmember Turberville moved, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the minutes from October 21, 2017.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried.

 The consideration of the Town Council minutes from the Closed Session meeting on October 21, 2017. Councilmember Turberville moved, seconded by Councilmember Johnson

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried

f. The consideration of award of bid to the low bidder for the construction of 3 rain gardens on Crittenden Street and 51st Avenue in the amount of \$10,800 to Professional Lawn Maintenance. (CBT Grant) Councilmember Bennett-White moved, seconded by Councilmember Layne Bee to award the low bid to Professional Lawn Maintenance.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried.

g. The consideration of change order #1 to Metro Paving Corporation for the Tanglewood Storm Water Project to repair the storm drain at 51st Avenue and Decatur in the amount of \$21,010.00. Councilmember Layne Bee moved seconded by Councilmember Johnson to consider change order #1 to Metro Paving Corporation for the Tanglewood Storm Water Project in the amount of \$21,010.00.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: None Motion carried

h. The consideration to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter of acceptance of grant award in the amount of \$148,000 from the Chesapeake Bay Trust for rain gardens and pervious curb and gutter on 46<sup>th</sup> Ave. Councilmember Johnson moved, seconded by Turberville to authorize the Mayor to sign the letter for acceptance of grant award in the amount of \$148,000.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: none Motion carried.

- The consideration of a \$1,200 pay adjustment to Town Clerk Shantay Dabney for recognition of her outstanding work with the Town's grant program and social media program. Mayor Gant suggested Council discuss it in Closed session.
- j. The consideration of purchase of 4 Laptop Notebook computers for the Mayor and Council members at a total cost of \$999.95. Councilmember Bee moved, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the purchase of 4 Laptop Notebook computers for the Mayor and Council.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Turberville, Bennett-White, Layne Bee

Nays: none Motion carried.

7. Police Report: Captain Sullivan distributed the monthly Code and Police Reports

## 8. Council Dialogue

- a. Councilmember Johnson reported that he witnessed the single car incident on Decatur Street, suggested being involved in the recreation center with mention of parties without no officer on duty and reported on the status of the garden. Mr. Johnson mentioned the traffic problem on Kenilworth and Decatur.
- b. Councilmember Turberville recommended a change to monthly expenditures and the way they are categorized. Mr. Barnes sent recommended change for input from Council.
- c. Councilmember Layne Bee mentioned painting in front of her home noticing a line item was paid to a contractor as additional help with Public Works. Ms. Bee also recommended getting a grant to offset the cost. Ms. Layne Bee also mentioned concerns with Metro bus parking on the corner of Taylor Road and Decatur Street.
- d. Councilmember Bennett-White reported that she attended the Port Towns Roundtable discussions and mentioned attending the Non-Profit and McGlaff session, also wanted an update on the Christmas party hours and suggested having a separate party for employees and one for
- e. Mayor Gant reported that Senator Bill Cardin will be having a Town Hall meeting. Councilmember Turberville mentioned a question regarding Tax Reform and whether or not MML is involved. Mayor Gant reported that many legislatures did not attend the Roundtable and thanked Mr. Barnes for his work on the committee. Recommended continuing the discussion.

## 9. Adjournment:

a. A motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m. and to enter into a closed session meeting to discuss personnel matters was made by Councilmember Bennett-White, seconded by Councilmember Johnson.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Layne Bee, Turberville, Bennett-White

Nays: None

Motion carried, meeting adjourned.